Art as a catalyst for change

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Sometimes art is about beauty. Sometimes it's about showing a key event — even if it’s ugly

As part of the Mint's new augmented-reality program Interactive CLT, Senior Curator of American Art Jonathan Stuhlman, PhD talks about Barbara Pennington's prescient painting Selma. The Mint's focus for Interactive CLT, in partnership with the Arts & Science Council and AVO Insights, is to highlight works of art that speak to racial justice and the experience of being black in America.

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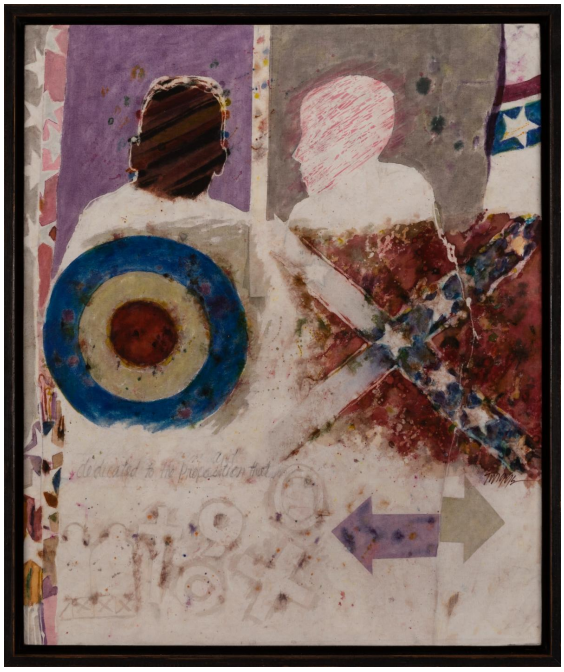

‘Art can (and should) be a catalyst for critical community conversations such as those that need to be had right now’

A message from our President and CEO Todd A. Herman, PhD on the death of George Floyd — and art as a catalyst for change.

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The Mint Museum Store in Uptown is open

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Details

Curators' Picks

We are sharing pieces from our galleries and collections to help bring peace and inspiration while we all practice social distancing. Our curators have chosen these pieces to give you the museum experience from home. To see more #CuratorsPicks, follow us on our social media channels.

Tom Joyce (American, 1956–). "Thicket," 2015, stainless steel, cast iron. Project Ten Ten Ten commission. Museum Purchase: Funds provided by the Mint Museum Auxiliary in honor of Sally Van Allen. 2015.22. © Tom Joyce, 2015

Thicket. Installed on the Sally and Bill Van Allen Terrace at the Mint Uptown, *Thicket* is made of highly polished stainless steel rods and cast iron filings from Tom Joyce's previous projects since 1977. Trained as a blacksmith in El Rito, New Mexico, the artist's fascination with forging iron led to his exploration of techniques and the material itself in functional object making, sculpture, and public art installations, including the National September 11 Memorial & Museum in New York City.

Don't Miss This

- CLT After Dark is holding a special event that features music by local musicians that reflect the current state of affairs and poetry by spoken word artist Bluz. Watch it **tonight at 10 PM on their website**.

- Watch the panel discussion ***Unmasked: We Can't Breathe***, hosted by The Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts+Culture, that focuses on protests against police brutality that have been happening across the country.

- Artist Andrea Downs **invites women to Virtual Laundry Day** on the first Sunday of each month to listen, feel heard, and connect part of her art installation *Airing Out the 'Dirty' Laundry*, on view at Mint Museum Uptown this summer.

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